IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Examiner:

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USE OF THE BNM3 TRANSCRIPTIONAL ACTIVATOR TO CONTROL

PLANT EMBRYOGENESIS AND REGENERATION PROCESSES

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8:

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, with sufficient postage, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Mail StockESTRICTION P.

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop RESTRICTION Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed April 21, 2004, said period of response being extended from May 21, 2004 to June 21, 2004.

Our check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

Respectfully submitted,

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